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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINT, CE
SUBJ: THE HAPPY BUDDHA STEAKHOUSE

REF: A. COLOMBO 3110, B. COLOMBO 3074

1. SINHALESE AND TAMIL PRESS HAVE REPLAYED NEWS ITEMS ON THIS SUBJECT FROM ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER PREVIOUSLY REPORTED REFTELS. MATTER HAS ALSO BEEN PUBLICLY ALBEIT CONFUSEDLY RAISED BY YOUNG MENS BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION AND A COLOMBO BUDDHIST NOTABLE.
2. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE APPROVAL BY RETURN CABLE OF STATEMENT ALONG FOLLOWING LINES TO BE USED PUBLICLY:
QUOTE: THE AMERICAN EMBASSY INFORMED WASHINGTON BY TELEGRAM OF THE FEELING IN COLOMBO THAT THE ADVERTISEMENT IN THE HOUSTON CHRONICLE FOR THE HAPPY BUDDHA STEAKHOUSE WAS OFFENSIVE TO BUDDHISTS. THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS DISCUSSED THIS WITH THE RESTAURANT PROPRIETOER WHO SAID HE WAS SURPRISED AND SADDENED TO LEARN THAT THE NAME OF HIS BUSINESS HAD HURT ANYONES FEELINGS. HE IS NOW TRYING TO FIND A NEW NAME. IT MAY TAKE SOME TIME FOR ANY CHANGE TO BE MADE SINCE IT REQUIRES LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ISSUANCE OF HIS BUSINESS REGISTRATION AND LICENSING CERTIFICATE.

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